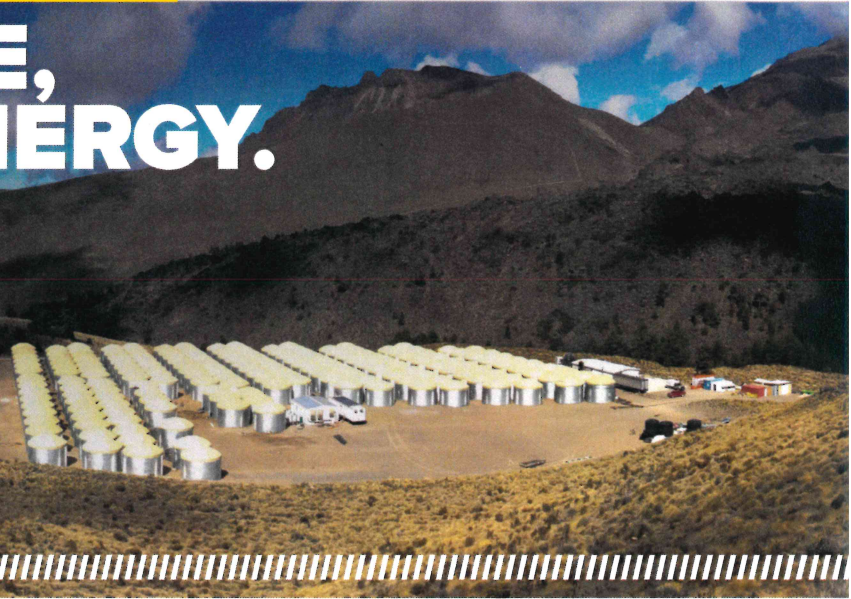




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### What you'll work on

Faculty in the department have five areas of research interest: astrophysics and particle astrophysics; atmospheric physics; materials physics; photonics and quantum optics; and atomic, molecular, and optical physics. Some of the current research projects include first principles studies of structure-property relationships in 2-D nanomaterials beyond graphene for defense applications, and the influence of nucleation on ice microphysical properties of mixed-phase stratiform clouds and many additional projects.

### Where you'll work

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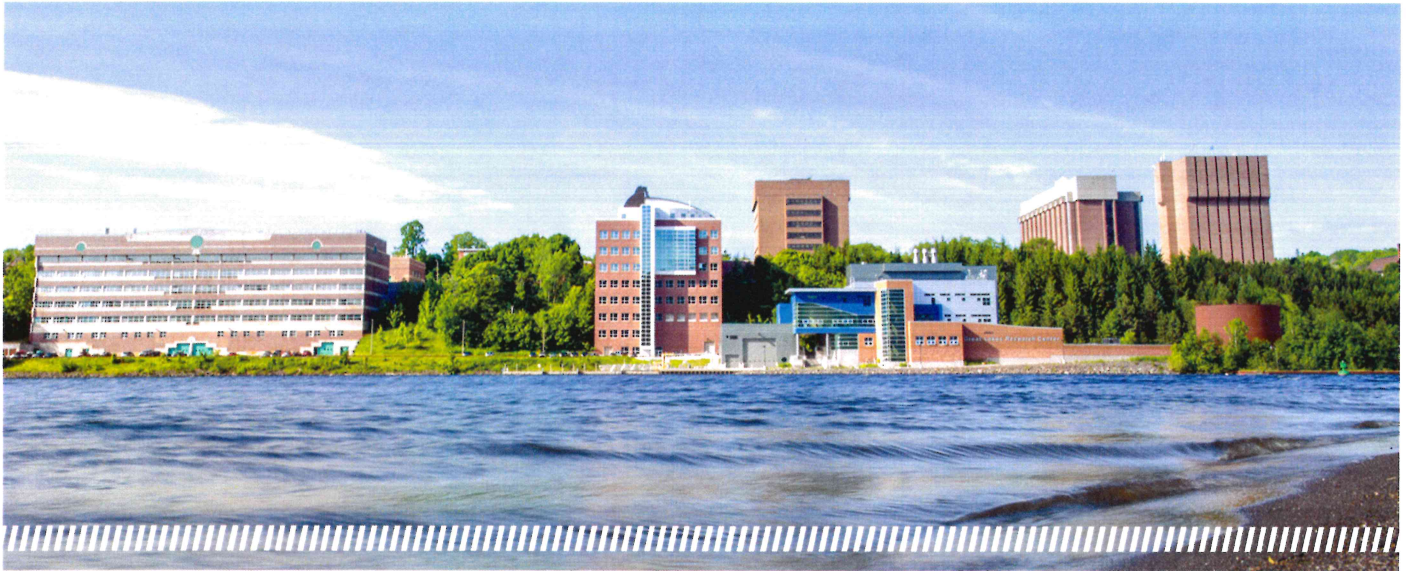


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Professor, Physics

Where and how are cosmic rays produced and accelerated to their states of high energy? The study of gamma rays provides a crucial piece of the puzzle. By measuring energy spectra, source morphologies, and spatial correlation of source wavelengths, we are trying to solve the century-old puzzle of the origin of galactic cosmic rays.





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